May 4, 1951.

Mr. Arthur Fife, Cedar City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

RE: COAL CREEK ADJ.

I have your letter of May I with reference to the difficulty between the North Field Reservoir & Irrigation Company and the Union Field Irrigation association. This morning a delegation called at the office but there was nothing for me to do other than to say that under the law I was supposed to have the water distributed according to the rights as set out in the Proposed Determination.

As far as you are concerned I see no exception to take to your action in dividing the water up as you have. It has been my rule to allow division of water between two interests to be made by mutual agreement, different from that shown in the Proposed Determination, provided that it in no way enfringes on other rights. This rule is for temporary purposes and can have no effect on the rights as set out in the Proposed Determination except through court action.

When the delegation left the office there seemed to be an understanding that they would petition the court for change of these rights and I suggested that if the court was going to hear this matter it would be very advisable for the court to also clear up some of the other points which have been dragging along for years.

Yours very truly,

State Engineer.

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